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Serial No.: 09/696,526 : Examiner: Medley, Peter M.

Filed: October 23, 2000 : Art Unit: 2834

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AMENDMENT

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In the Drawings:

Please add FIG. 6, attached hereto.

In the Specification:**(1)**

Please replace the Cross Reference to Related Cases paragraph beginning at page 1, line 11, with the following rewritten paragraph:

--This application is related to co-pending, commonly owned patent application Serial No. 09/696,524, filed October 23, 2000, entitled "Polymer-Polymer Bilayer Actuator", co-pending commonly owned patent application Serial No. 09/696,528, filed October 23, 2000, entitled "Electrostrictive Graft Elastomers," and co-pending, commonly owned patent application Serial No. 09/696,527, filed October 23, 2000, entitled "Membrane Position Control."--

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Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 1, with the following rewritten paragraph: